GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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Agreement for Health Sector
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government proposes to collaborate with other countries in healthcare sector for research and development, capacity building, increasing efficiency and providing accessible and affordable healthcare services; and

(b) if so, the details of agreement already signed or proposed to be signed in this regard as on date?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)
(a) & (b): As informed by Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), there are several bilateral Science & Technology (S&T) cooperation agreements with other countries to facilitate cooperation in the area of biomedical research. The International collaborations are sought by ICMR under bilateral and/or multilateral collaborative framework for facilitating and strengthening interactions among international agencies and institutions in the research areas of mutual interest. ICMR operates in close cooperation with the Indian Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Ministry of Science & Technology, Ministry of External Affairs, Indian missions abroad and foreign missions in India for international collaborations.
Various collaborative programmes are ongoing/proposed under bilateral agreements/MoUs/Joint Statements in various areas of health sciences by ICMR either directly or through Ministry of Health & Family Welfare with various international organizations and institutions. Details are placed at Annexure.